

REMARKS

In the restriction requirement, Applicants elected Group V (claims 90-100) without traverse for examination. Claims 37-99, 101 have been canceled without prejudice. Applications reserve the right to file divisional applications for Groups 1-4 and Group 6, as allow by the rules.

37 C.F.R. § 1.83 (a) -- Objections to Drawings

The drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a) for not showing every feature specified in the claims. Applicants have submitted FIG. 4 REPLACEMENT SHEET, and FIG. 45 NEW SHEET, which now show the folded and glued seam, as well as the radio frequency identification tag. No new matter is entered by the FIG. 4 amended drawing or by the FIG. 45 new drawing. The objections to the drawings are believed to be overcome, and reconsideration is requested.

35 U.S.C. § 112 – Rejection of Claims 90-100

Claims 90-100 are rejected under 35 U.S. C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicant regards as his invention. The Examiner states that the Applicants have not sufficiently disclosed the folded and glued seam, in which the radio frequency identification tag is captured within. The structure of the folded and glued seam is not shown in Fig. 4 in relation to any other structures of the device. It is not known how the device is constructed.

Reinforced document holding folders and containers are known. A folder or container blank is die cut on a cutting press. Edge portions of the container are folded over and glued to form double-sided reinforced edges that provide increased strength and durability. In the present invention, prior to folding over and gluing, RFID tags are positioned on the container blank to be captured or embedded in the glued seam, during

the folding and gluing process step. The construction of the invention is described in the specification on page on page 38, lines 13-28, and on page 40, lines 15-25.

Applicants have also submitted a FIG. 4 REPLACEMENT SHEET, and a FIG. 45 NEW SHEET, to indicate the folded and glued seam, and the RFID tags embedded or captured within the glued seams. No new matter has been added.

The rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112 are believed to be overcome, and reconsideration is requested.

35 U.S.C. § 102 -- Rejection of Claims 90-100

Claims 90 to 100 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Brollier (US 2004/0070504).

The priority date of the present patent application is November 10, 1998. The Brollier reference has an effective filing date of October 14, 2002. The Brollier reference is therefore not prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) and the reference should respectfully be removed. The rejection is therefore overcome, and claims 90-100 are allowable. Reconsideration is requested.

35 U.S.C. § 103 -- Rejection of Claim 100

Claims 100 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brollier (US 2004/0070504).

The priority date of the present patent application is November 10, 1998. The Brollier reference has an effective filing date of October 14, 2002. The Brollier reference is therefore not prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102 and the reference should respectfully be removed. The rejection is therefore overcome, and claims 100 are allowable. Reconsideration is requested.

Other Prior Art of Record

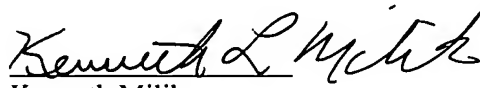
Kerr et al (US2005/0110613), Anderson (US 2006/0249437) and Dickinson (US 2003,0052786) each have an effective filing date that is after the Applicants' priority date of November 10, 1998. Therefore, these none of these references are prior art under 35 U.S.C. 102 and should respectfully be removed as prior art made of record and not relied on. Any rejections concerning these references are overcome.

Conclusion

In view of the amendments to the drawings and specification and the remarks, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of all grounds of rejection. Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are now in condition for Allowance reconsideration is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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